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For: PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR CONVERTING OIL SHALE OR TAR

SANDS TO OIL

## AMENDMENT & REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Mail Stop: Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants submit this Amendment & Request for Reconsideration Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111 in response to the non-final Office Action dated May 21, 2007. This response is being filed concurrently with an Extension of Time and the appropriate government fees extending the due date for response until November 21, 2007. For the Examiner's convenience:

- · Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 2 of this paper;
- · Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper; and
- Authorization to charge additional fees to Deposit Account No. 13-4500 is on page 13 of this paper.